



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kazuhiko OHGA, et al.

Appln. No. 09/582,495

Group Art Unit: 1623

Confirmation No.: Not Yet Assigned

Examiner: H. Reyes

Filed: June 27, 2000

For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING HYDROGENATED ESTER, HYDROGENATING
CATALYST USED THEREFOR AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE CATALYST

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

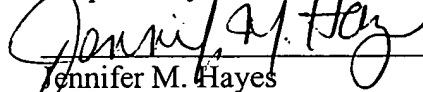
Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	15	-	27	=	X	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent	4	-	3	=	1 X	\$84.00	=	\$84.00
TOTAL							=	\$84.00

Charge the statutory fee of \$84.00 to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 2, 5, 14, and 19-20 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

3. (Amended) A process for producing a hydrogenated ester according to claim 30, wherein the inert solvent is the corresponding hydrogenated ester.

6. (Amended) A process for producing a hydrogenated ester according to claim 30, wherein the reaction temperature at the initial time of the hydrogenation reaction is in the range of 0°C-200°C.

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